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September 21, 1844.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.
New Hanover County.
Superior Court of Law,
SERIES TERM, 1845.
Melinda Giffin, }
vs. } Petition for Divorce.
Peter V. Giffin. }

IT appearing to the satisfaction of this Court, that the defendant in this case, resides beyond the limits of this State, or so absconds or conceals himself, that the ordinary process of the law cannot be served upon him; it is ordered by the Court, that notice be given said defendant, by advertisement in the Wilmington Journal and Chronicle, for three months, that unless he appear at the next Term of this Court, to be held at the Court House, in the town of Wilmington, on the fifth Monday, after the fourth Monday in September next, and plead, answer, or demur, to said petition, the same will be taken pro confesso, and heard ex parte.
Teste, O. ALDERMAN, Ck.
May 4, 1845. 34-3m. pr. adv. \$10.
Chronicle copy.

THE subscribers have this day formed a co-partnership, under the firm of
BATTLE & COOKE,
to transact a General Commission business, and will give their diligent and prompt attention to the sale of all kinds of North Carolina produce, also of Merchandise, which their friends from abroad may entrust them with, as well as to the receiving and forwarding of Merchandise, and any other agency business, with which they may be favored.
A. J. BATTLE,
Wm. COOKE.
June 16, (20.) 1845.

LIFE INSURANCE.
New York Mutual Life Insurance Company.
THE subscriber having been appointed Agent for the above company, is prepared to receive applications, and to communicate all necessary information on the subject, to such as may apply.
JOHN S. RICHARDS.
June 27, 1845.

Blanks for sale at this office.

Family Grocery Store.

CORNER OF MARKET AND SECOND STREETS
THE subscribers having formed a co-partnership under the firm of

BISHOP & JONES,

take this method of informing their friends and the public generally, that they have now on hand, and for sale cheap, a large and well selected stock of
SAVORY GROCERIES.
We deem it unnecessary to enter into a long detail of our articles; it is sufficient to say that we have

EVERY THING
that is usually found in stores of the kind. Should any article be sold by us that does not fully come up to what it was represented to be, we will always be ready and willing to take it back and refund the money, and in making this agreement we feel no uneasiness, as we are determined, if possible, to have none but the

BEST ARTICLES
that can be obtained in the market. No exertions shall be spared on our part to please those who may favor us with their calls, and with this promise in view, we can but hope that we will receive our share of the public patronage.

H. M. BISHOP.
WM. B. JONES.
Wilmington, April 8, (18.) 1845. 31-3m.

LIST OF BLANKS

ON HAND, and for sale at the JOURNAL OFFICE.

County and Sup. Court Writs
do do Subpoenas
do do Fi. Fas.
County Court Scire Facias
Apprentice's Indentures
Letters of Administrators
Junior's Tickets
Peace warrants
Constable's bonds
Notes of hand
Checks, Cape Fear Bank
do Branch Bank of the State
Notes, negotiable at bank
Inspector's Certificates
Certificates of Justices attending Court
Shipping Papers
Bills Lading (letter)
Any blank wanted and not on hand will be printed with the utmost despatch.
Officers of the Courts and other officers, and all other persons, requiring blanks, or any other work in the printing line would do well to give us a call, or send in their orders. We are determined to execute our work well, and at the cheapest rates for cash. Call at the JOURNAL OFFICE, S. E. cor. Princes & Front-sts., One door above the Hanover House.

TO SHINGLE GETTERS.

THE undersigned has been appointed agent for selling the Patent Right to use Kinney's Shingle Machine, in the counties of Halifax, Nash, Johnson, Cumberland, Richmond, and all the counties lying east and south of these, in the State of North Carolina, except the county of Edgecombe, the right of which, has been sold to another. He has also received the agency for the whole state of South Carolina. He is authorized to sell to individuals or to companies, for a single right, the right for a county, or for all that part of North Carolina mentioned, in one sale, and likewise in the same way for the districts in South Carolina.
He has made an arrangement with Mr. U. Wells, of Petersburg, Va., to make the Machine to order, to be delivered at any Depot on the Wilmington and Raleigh Railroad, the freight to be paid by the buyer, but he will procure its delivery without charge for his trouble. This Machine is of simple construction, and easy to be kept in order; and can be used either by hand, horse, water, or steam power. Two good hands can easily make from the blocks, from 4000 to 5000 Shingles per day, ready jointed, and nearly as smooth as if planed, and any width desired, from 4 to 10 inches. They could also easily move the machine from place to place, to be convenient to their timber. The cost of the machine, ready made, will be \$50. The price of the right to use it, will vary according to the extent of the purchase. He will have a machine here in a few days, as a sample, and invites the public to call and see it operate.
He will endeavor to obtain a suitable person to carry a Machine into all of these counties, to show its value.
A. J. BATTLE, Agt.
May 23, 1845. 36-4f
The Fayetteville Observer, Newbernian, Washington Whig, Edenton Sentinel, and Elizabeth City papers, will copy the above three times each, and forward accounts.

NOTICE.

THE subscribers having formed a Co-partnership in their
Inspection Business,
to exist from the 1st June, 1845, until March, 1846, beg leave to state to their respective friends and customers, that in so doing, they will be enabled by their united exertions to render despatch to their customers. It has frequently been the case during Freshets, when a crowd of Produce has been thrown into market, that owners of Turpentine have met with delay in getting their Bills of Inspection; this will be obviated with us by our connexion in business. All letters relating to Turpentine, addressed to

JAMES & WALKER,

or to either of us individually, will meet with prompt attention.
JOHN S. JAMES.
P. M. WALKER.
June 8, 1845. 38-4f

NOTICE.

WILL be sold, on Friday, the 8th July, at Kenansville, the following slaves, belonging to the estate of William Pollock, dec'd, viz:
BOB, JUDY, CHERY, and CHILD,
which will be sold on a credit of six months by the Administrators for division, the day above written.

R. T. BRADLEY.
and E. G. BARDIN, Adm'rs.
June 13, 1845. 39-6f.

Molasses.

60 IHDS. superior quality St. Jago, now landing and for sale by
BARRY & BRYANT.
March 14, 1845.

BLANK CHECKS.

A neat article, for sale at the JOURNAL OFFICE.

LIME AND HAY.—Just received and for sale, 300 casks Thomaston lime, 60 bundles Eastern Hay, by BARRY & BRYANT.
May 9, 1845. 34

CHARLES BARR, MERCHANT TAILOR, WILMINGTON, N. C.

GRATEFUL to the citizens of Wilmington for their liberal patronage, and anxious to merit a continuance of the same, has added to his Stock, a large lot of well assorted seasonable

CLOTHING,

Just received per schooner Ellen, from Philadelphia, together with a general assortment of superfine new style

FRENCH CASSIMERES, AND FANCY DRILLINGS

of the latest importations, received per Rail Road, making his stock altogether the most complete that has ever been offered in this market.

Persons wishing to purchase Clothing are respectfully requested to examine the article elsewhere, before calling on me, and unless I can offer them Goods on better terms than any of my competitors, I shall expect to suffer in consequence.
CHARLES BARR.
May 30, 1845. 37

TO THE PUBLIC.

INFORMATION WANTED.—FRANCIS JONES, recently died in the Parish of Iberville, Louisiana, leaving no heirs of his body in that State. He left considerable property, and the object of this publication is to ascertain who are entitled to the succession fund; who are his heirs. It is supposed that Mr. Jones was a native of Wilmington, N. C., and that he removed from this place in boyhood, leaving behind him parents, and brothers and sisters. He died at an advanced age, and of course must have been a long while absent from this place. This is a matter of importance to the heirs of the deceased Mr. Jones, as he left considerable property. Those who may possess any information on the subject will please call on the subscriber.
DAVID FULTON.
Wilmington, N. C., 27th May, 1845. 37-4f

Co-partnership Notice.—The Co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm of Barry & Bryant was dissolved on the 13th inst., by the decease of the senior partner. The business will be continued by the subscriber, on his individual account, under the name of Barry & Bryant.
ALFRED BRYANT.
May 16, 1845—[35.]

Swan's Point for Sale.

BEING desirous of changing my business, the ensuing fall, I will sell my plantation on Swan's Point, containing

ONE THOUSAND ACRES OF LAND.

Three or four hundred of which, are enclosed and cleared, the balance well timbered. The plantation is situated, and lies immediately in front of New River bar, commanding a fine view of the Ocean.
The soil is alluvial, the situation pleasant and healthy, as any in the low country. To persons wishing a trading station, it offers inducements rarely to be found in this or any other part of the State. Being equidistant from the towns of Wilmington and Newbern, to and from which places, small schooners, of some thirty or forty tons burthen, ply daily; by which, goods may be delivered at the warehouse door, if necessary, and the produce of the country shipped immediately to any of our Northern or Southern markets. There are several fine sites for erecting Steam Mills, and one for Salt works—the surrounding country abounds with pine of the best quality for the lumber trade, and the quantity inexhaustible.
If desirable, I will sell with the place the growing crop, and hire out a number of negroes until the first of January next.

Persons wishing to purchase, are invited to call and view the premises, on or before the 20th of next month, July.
GEORGE H. McMILLAN.
Onslow co., June 13, 1845. 39-6f

New Boarding House.

THE SUBSCRIBER would respectfully inform his friends and the public, that he has opened a Boarding House at the well known stand formerly occupied by W. R. Larkins, on Market-street. He would take occasion to state, that he has fitted up the house in the very best style, and that his table will be as good as any other house of the kind in Wilmington. His terms will be moderate, and he promises to spare no pains in making those comfortable who may be pleased to dine with their patronage.
N. F. BOURDEAUX.
Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 17th, 1845. 18-4f

To Travellers.

Comparison of Expense TO TRAVELLERS GOING NORTH, BY THE GREAT MAIL ROUTE AND THE RIVER AND BAY LINE.

By the Bay Line.
From Weldon to Baltimore, \$9 00
Breakfast in Baltimore, 50
Fare by the Morning Line to Philadelphia, 3 00
Dinner on the Road, 50
Whole expense, \$13 00

By the great Mail Route.

From Weldon to Baltimore by the Rail Road and Steamboat to Washington, and thence by the Stage Line to Baltimore, eight dollars and fifty cents—or by the Rail Road Line throughout, two dollars and fifty cents more, making \$11 00
From Baltimore to Philadelphia, by the Evening Line, 2 00
Two Meals between Petersburg and Philadelphia, 1 00
Whole expense, \$14 00

It will thus appear, that the whole expense between Weldon and Philadelphia, by the Great Mail Route, even if the Traveller takes the Washington and Baltimore Rail Road, is

BUT ONE DOLLAR MORE

To Philadelphia; and the Traveller reaches Philadelphia by this Route, a business day earlier than by the River and Bay Route, resting on the way, and avoiding not only the uncertainties and risk of greater delay by the Bay Line, but its liability to accidents, storms, sea sickness and other discomforts.
THEODORE S. GARNETT.
Sup't R. & P. R. R.
June 20, 1845. 40-9f

Valuable Real Estate FOR SALE.

THE SUBSCRIBER, as the Executor of the last will and testament of the late Robert H. Cowan, offers for sale, upon the most liberal terms, the following REAL ESTATE, viz:

An undivided moiety of the Ferry and Road over Eagle's Island, communicating with the town of Wilmington at the foot of Market street.
The Western portion of Lots No. 87 and 88, lying North of and adjoining the Lots on which the Wilmington Academy stands—the two Lots measuring 132 feet on Third street and about 200 feet on Chestnut street, and forming together one of the most eligible building sites in the town of Wilmington.

One-fourth of the Lot on Front street, immediately North of the Alley on the Northern side of the Presbyterian Church—measuring 33 feet on Front street and running Eastwardly 105 feet.

The tract or parcel of Land, North of the town of Wilmington, known generally as Hog's Poley, containing about 50 acres; and from its extended front on the River, its proximity to the town, and the general formation of the ground, presents extraordinary advantages, as a site for buildings to be used for manufacturing operations.

The Rice Lands, known as Caintuck, lying on the North side of the North-western branch of the Cape Fear River, about two miles above the town of Wilmington, and containing about 400 acres, including the Upland.

The tracts of Land, known as Red Hill and Swan Point, (situated about 12 miles from Wilmington by land,) on the North side of the North-eastern branch of the Cape Fear River, and together, containing upwards of 1200 acres. These tracts are now in cultivation, and all necessary improvements have been erected on them. The soil is of superior quality, facilities for reaching market are furnished by both the River and Rail Road, and a range for Cattle and Hogs is afforded which is unsurpassed in this section of the State.

About 400 acres of Pine Land near to and including the Race Course, three miles East of Wilmington.

Also, the Reversion expectant on a life estate, in the tract of Land known as the Little Ridge tract, about two miles from Wilmington, on Smith's Creek, together with the Bridge over said creek, and the Franchise attached to the said Bridge.
The foregoing property is offered at private sale, and unless disposed of in the meantime, will be sold at public Vendue during the week of December Term of New Hanover County Court.

A credit of one and two years will be given. The purchaser will be required to give notes with good and sufficient security, to be approved of at Bank, which are to be renewed every 90 days and the accruing interest paid, and at the expiration of the credits as above, they will then be collected by instalments, according to the usage and regulation of the Banks in this place.

Mr. Robert H. Cowan, Jr., is authorized to make any contracts, and he will give any information which may be desired, in reference to the above described property.
SALLY T. COWAN, Ex'rx.
June 20, 1845. 40-4f

BALTIMORE MEDICAL INSTITUTE.

FOR PRIVATE PUPILS.

TO MEET the demands for reform in private medical instruction, the undersigned has, after some years labor and at great expense, established in the city of Baltimore, an institution presenting many important advantages. The object is as far as possible to base all instruction on the sure foundation of demonstration. A brief statement will be given of the advantages offered to the student. The Institution located in a central part of the city, comprehends an Anatomical Museum, Lecture and Study Rooms, well stored with illustrations of the various branches of Medicine.

Anatomy, Physiology, Pathology, Midwifery and Surgery, will be illustrated by the remarkable models of Professor Auzan, Doc. Thibert and M. Guy, of Paris. These models have received the highest testimonials of the profession in Europe and other countries. Preparations of the real Subject, most valuable plates and casts, are also compared in the Museum for the use of students, and also a very full collection of instruments and apparatus for performing all the operations of Surgery.

Chemistry, Materia Medica, Pharmacy and Botany, will be illustrated by appropriate apparatus, by a superior collection of specimens of the Materia Medica, and by Herbaria consisting of several thousand medicinal native and foreign plants.

A large and well selected library of between two and three thousand volumes, is accessible to the student—to whom also lectures are delivered through the greater part of the year.

The city of Baltimore, from its two Medical Schools, its Hospitals, Infirmary, Alms House and Dispensaries affords great facilities for the study of Medical and Surgical practice, and it is celebrated for offering unrivalled advantages in the study of Practical Anatomy. Its health, fine society, and the moderate expenses of living are also claims to the attention of the student. And the judicious parent who considers the great responsibility of the profession and the powerful competition of talent, will feel it a conscientious duty, to enable his son to enjoy the important advantages of the study of medicine in a city.—The subscriber, from an experience of years in practice, a part of the time as a Professor, Hospital Physician and Surgeon, from having had many public and private pupils, feels authorized in offering the student important advantages under his preceptorial care. A limited number of additional pupils only can be received. Therefore, those desiring to become pupils, will make early application.

Any one wishing additional information can obtain it, by addressing
JOHN R. W. DUNBAR, M. D.
Late Professor of Surgery, in the Washington University of Balt.
40-3f

Excursus's Notice.

LETTERS Testamentary were granted to the subscriber at the June term, A. D., 1845, of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, for the County of New Hanover, on the estate of the late Robert H. Cowan. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and the creditors of said estate are required to present their claims duly authenticated within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.
SALLY T. COWAN, Ex'rx.
June 20th, 1845. 40-6f

THE co-partnership of the firm of Hall & Flanner, is this day dissolved, by mutual consent, and the business of the Clarendon Distillery, will be conducted by William B. Flanner, in his name, he having purchased the entire interest in said concern.

JOHN HALL.
W. B. FLANNER.
Wilmington, N. C., June 18, '45.—[40-3f

Lands for Sale.

THE subscriber being desirous of removing to the south-west, offers for sale all his Lands lying in the county of Duplin, N. C.

One tract containing six hundred and twenty-one acres, adjoining the village of Kenansville; three hundred of which, is cleared, and under good fence, the balance well timbered. On the premises, is a good two story framed dwelling, containing seven rooms, with kitchen, smoke-house, barn, and all other out-houses, in first rate repair. Within one hundred yards of the dwelling, there is a never failing spring of water, as good as can be found in the lower part of the State; and within three quarters of a mile of the village, there is an Academy, where students can always prepare for College. The land is well adapted to the cultivation of Cotton, Peas, Corn, &c.

Another tract of two thousand six hundred and fifty acres, lying on both sides of the Wilmington and Raleigh Railroad, about 45 miles from Wilmington. There is about five hundred acres of this tract cleared, and under good fence, with all necessary buildings. There is EIGHTY THOUSAND Turpentine boxes cut on the land, and trees enough to cut at least twenty thousand more. There is also a first rate mill seat on the premises, within one hundred yards of the Railroad, with a frame on the spot ready to raise: the timber has been got within the last six months. A Mill here, could be made valuable, as ready sale could always be had for all the Railroad railings she could saw. This land also produces good crops of Corn, Cotton, Peas, &c.

Another tract of four hundred acres of first rate land, two hundred of which is under cultivation, lying six miles from Kenansville, and four miles from Warsaw. There is a task of Turpentine boxes on the land, and the balance well timbered. As the subscriber wishes to remove, more for the benefit of his health than any thing else, he will sell the above lands at a great bargain, either separately or all together, on very accommodating terms.

Persons wishing to view the lands, will please call on him at Kenansville.
DANIEL C. MOORE.
Duplin co., June 27, 1845. 41-6f

The Newbernian will copy the above for six weeks, and forward account to this office.

Cigars and Tobacco.

40,000 CIGARS of various kinds and qualities, in boxes of 100, 125, 250 and 500.

2 boxes superior manufactured Tobacco, Just received and for sale by
BARRY & BRYANT.
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10,000 Segars.

20 boxes Hydraulic pressed Candles, 48 " best Barret's chewing Tobacco, small lumps,

15 " No. 1, Soap, 10 kegs Lard.

10 bbls. superfine Canal Flour, 10 half bbls., " 10 boxes Cheese.

Received per brig Belle, and for sale low for cash or approved paper.
JOHN S. RICHARDS,
Market street, Burch's old store.
June 27, 1845.

NOTICE.

THE SUBSCRIBER, having taken an Assignment from John Hall, of all his property, and rights of property, for the benefit of his creditors; and it being stipulated in said Assignment, that the Assignee, after paying the first class of debts therein mentioned, comprising the notes at Bank and accommodation paper of the said John Hall, should apply the balance of monies on hand to the payment pro rata of such of the second class of creditors as should agree to release the said John Hall in full from all debts and liabilities within three months from the 25th day of June, 1845, there being a deficiency of assets to satisfy the whole of said second class of debts; Notice is hereby given to all concerned to signify to the subscriber their assent to the terms of the assignment, within the time prescribed, or they will be forever precluded from all benefit in the trust.

JOHN MCRAE, Assignee.
June 27th, 1845. 41-4f

All Persons

INDEBTED to John Hall are hereby notified to settle with the subscriber immediately, or the claims against them will be put in suit forthwith.
JOHN MCRAE, Assignee.
June 27th, 1845. 41-4f

TAKE NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to me, in any shape whatever, are urgently requested to come forward and settle without further notice. I am compelled to call in all my dues immediately, as I am unmercifully pushed by all of my creditors—sued and perplexed. All who fail to settle by the first day of June, will find their notes and accounts in the hands of an officer for collection, it being out of my power to give further indulgence. With feelings of regret, I am forced to make this bold and urgent demand, purely out of necessity.
V. R. PEIRSON.

SELLING OFF AT COST.

I will sell the balance of my stock of GOODS, which is a full and complete assortment in my line, comprising in part a full stock of Summer Goods, suitable for summer wear; Drap d'Ete; Bombazines; Gambroons, Linen Drills; Vestings, of every variety, style and pattern; with a full assortment of Fancy articles! A large lot of READY-MADE CLOTHING, of every variety and quality.

I flatter myself that my stock was laid in as low, or lower, than any other in my line of business. My stock has always been the largest, and now comprises the greatest variety of any in the town of Wilmington, and I now hold out inducements to all who may want any thing in my line, at cost for cash, or a short credit to those that have been in the habit of paying their bills when called upon. It will be out of my power to credit any more to long-winded customers.

The Store I now occupy will be to rent. Possession given the first of October.
V. R. PEIRSON, Merchant Tailor,
May 19th, 1845. [34-4f] Market-street.

NOTICE.

ALL persons are hereby forbid trusting any one on my account. Those who have claims against me are requested to present them and I will pay them; those who are indebted to me, will oblige me by paying up as soon as possible.
D. SHERWOOD.
June 27, 1845. 41-3f

From the New Monthly Belle Assemblée. THE POST OFFICE—an Irish Sketch.

BY MISS POWER.

It is, I believe, a peculiarity of almost all Irish towns, that the tourist who strolls through them with his eyes and ears open, can hardly fail to return to his inn without materials for a pen or pencil sketch, furnished by the lower class of its inhabitants, more especially the beggars: their picturesque faces and costumes are well worthy the attention of the artist; while he who wields the quill (a goose quill is ineligible for the service) will find many occasions to use it, in noting down the scraps of conversation that are carried on, for the benefit of the public around him. During a visit of some weeks at the town of N—, in the north of Ireland, I strolled down the 'big street,' according to my daily custom, to inquire at the post office for my letters; and finding there were none, I stopped to regale my eyes and ears at the expense of the various querists who came on the same errand. Among the rest, was one who particularly attracted my attention by the eagerness with which he pushed his way through the other applicants, and advanced to the window, where, behind the half-lowered blind, sat ensconced the pretty daughter of the post master, whose duty it was to give out the letters when her father was away.

No sooner arrived at the goal, than, pulling off his hat with the instinctive good breeding which an Irishman displays towards the beau sexe, demanded with a rich brogue,

'If you please, Miss O'Brady, have you ever a lether for me?'

'Who are you?' inquired the damsel, sorting over the heap.

'Is it who am I? Sure and thruth, I'm a decent boy as e'er a wan (one) in the parish, tho' it's myself says it and Misher Fleecean, that I last sarved, 'ill give me a right good crackther any day, faicks, an' he will.'

'Yes, but I must know y'r name.'

'My name? an' welcome! Sure it's no secret! There's not a man, woman or child in the town, that doesn't know it; and in troth, I've no reason to be ashamed of it.'

'Well, but I don't know it; can't you tell me who you are at once?'

'Arrah, now, Miss Honey, if you have not got a lether for me, it 'ud be a dale kinder in ye, to tell me so, and not be divartin' yerself axin' me questions.'

'Diverting myself? It isn't to divert myself, I ask you. Sure I must know y'r name to know who the letter is to be directed to.'

'To me. Who else would poor Thady, that's far away, write to but me?—me